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WASHINGTON--CHAIRMAN J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT, D-ARK., OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE CALLED TODAY FOR CLOSER SCRUTINY OF AMERICAN LOBBYISTS REPRESENTING FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS.

OPENING SENATE HEARINGS INTO LOBBYING FOR FOREIGN POWERS BY NON-DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL, FULBRIGHT SAID SOME OF THEIR ACTIVITIES "MAY HAVE BEEN INIMICAL TO THE BEST INTERESTS OF OUR GOVERNMENT."

FULBRIGHT MADE THE REMARKS IN A STATEMENT PREPARED FOR THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING IN THE INQUIRY. UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE W. BALL WAS THE SCHEDULED OPENING WITNESS (AT 10 A.M.).